(d) The Seafarers Welfare Fund Society (SWES) had invested in November, 1992 a sum of Rs. 50.00 lakhs under the Recurring Interest Re-deposit Plan with the Bank of Baroda. A deposit receipt for the sum was received from the Bank by the Society. In November, 1993, the Bank officials informed that no such FDR was issued by them. It transpired that a fraud had been committed. The Society filed a civil suit before the Bombay High Court against the Bank of Baroda for recovery of the principal amount of Rs. 50.00 lakhs with interest. The Bank has remitted Rs. 50.00 lakhs towards the principal amount and Rs. 22,62,572.00 towards interest claimed by the Society. On a complaint of misappropriation of funds filed by the Bank of Baroda, the Central Bureau of Investigation investigated the case and filed charge sheet against five persons. Four other persons were also involved in this case.

Out of the above mentioned nine persons departmental disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against a nominee of the Government of India.

Performance of major ports

2337. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the financial and operational performance of various major ports during last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, port-wise;

(c) whether Government have taken steps to modernise the activities of various major ports;

(d) if so, the specific steps taken in respect of Paradip Port; and

(e) the programmes drawn up thereon for Tenth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of financial and operational performance are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(c) Modernisation of major ports is an on-going process to cope with the demands of maritime trade.

(d) and (e) An outlay of Rs. 159.49 crores has been allocated for the new schemes under the Tenth Five Year Plan for Paradip Port Trust as per the following details:—

Sl. No.	Project	Tenth Plan Outlay (Rs. in crores)
(i)	Procurement of wharf crane	1.00
(ii)	Construction of lightrage berth	12.00
(iii)	Extension of breakwater	20.000
(iv)	Construction of cargo berth in new dock area	1.00
(v)	Deepening of channel	99.99
(vi)	Incorporation of second stream at existing iron ore handling plant	10.00
(vii)	Replacement of floating crafts	3.50
(viii)	Replacement of wharf crane	12.00
	TOTAL:	159.49

In addition to the above, there are two proposals, one each for construction of a berth for clean cargo and construction of a deep draft berth for iron ore on Built, Operate and Transfer (BOT) basis.

Statement

I. Financial performance of major ports
(Operating surplus)

(Rs. in crores)

Name of the State	Name of the Port	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Gujarat	Kandla	74.72	69.74	45.34
Maharashtra	Mumbai	17.16	27.93	37.81
	Jawaharlal Nehru	164.82	246.63	345.55
Goa	Mormugao	54.84	59.27	72.96
Karnataka	New Mangalore	86.32	106.38	116.05
Kerala	Cochin	31.33	53.47	59.58
Tamil Nadu	Tuticorin	58.96	63.60	59.84
	Chennai	63.03	65.21	107.17
	Ennore Port Ltd.	26.68*	67.41	59.51
Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam	171.34	209.88	233.04
Orissa	Paradip	96.30	169.43	199.77
West Bengal	Kolkata	449.87	207.73	282.89

*22nd June, 2001 to 31st March, 2002 (The Company commenced commercial operations on 22.6.2001).

II. Operational Performance

A. Cargo traffic handled by major ports (2001-02 to 2003-04)

(In million tonnes)

Name of the State	Name of the Port	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Gujarat	Kandla	37.73	40.63	41.52
Maharashtra	Mumbai	26.43	26.80	29.96
	Jawaharlal Nehru	22.52	26.84	31.18
Goa	Mormugao	22.93	23.65	27.88
Karnataka	New Mangalore	17.50	21.43	26.67
Kerala	Cochin	12.06	13.00	13.57
Tamil Nadu	Tuticorin	13.02	13.29	13.68
	Chennai	36.12	33.69	36.71
	Ennore Port Ltd.	3.40*	8.49	9.28
Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam	44.34	46.01	47.74
Orissa	Paradip	21.13	23.90	25.31
West Bengal	Kolkata	5.37	7.20	8.69
	Haldia	25.03	28.60	32.36
	TOTAL:	287.58	313.53	344.55

*22nd June, 2001 to 31st March, 2002 (The Company commenced commercial operations on 22.6.2001)

B. Selected port performance indicators

Name of the State/Port	Average pre-berthing Detention on Port A/C (in Hours)			Average Turn round time (in Days)			Average output per ship Berthday (in tonnes)		
	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
Gujarat									
Kandla	21.36	16.80	10.80	6.55	5.94	5.06	7761	8862	8659
Maharashtra									
Mumbai	7.68	3.60	3.60	5.47	5.06	4.10	3994	5170	5912
Jawahar Lal Nehru	10.08	11.45	9.36	2.34	2.28	2.04	7437	8418	9845
Goa									
Mormugao	32.16	19.92	26.64	2.04	3.86	4.47	14957	15370	16746
Karnataka									
New Managa-lore	5.99	4.32	3.12	2.73	1.90	2.35	12528	15939	18048
Kerala									
Cochin	4.20	1.67	4.04	2.37	2.19	2.22	5984	6877	7799
Tamil Nadu									
Tuticorin	10.56	7.20	1.64	4.11	3.59	2.59	3900	4403	5040

Name of the State/Port	Average pre-berthing Detention on Port A/C (in Hours)			Average Turn round time (in Days)			Average output per ship Berthday (in tonnes)		
	2001 -02	2002 -03	2003 -04	2001 -02	2002 -03	2003 -04	2001 -02	2002 -03	2003 -04
Chennai	26.00	1.30	0.90	5.30	3.70	4.60	7030	8660	9654
Ennore Port Ltd *	9.89	1.56	1.66	3.62	2.24	1.94	16742	26779	32774
Andhra Pradesh									
Visakhapatnam	5.76	3.16	1.18	3.51	3.72	3 33	10772	10591	11712
Orissa									
Paradip	11.04	10.32	5.14	3 99	3.37	3.42	8831	10763	10256
West Bengal									
Kolkata	0.24	0.07	0.07	4.71	4 47	4.29	2215	2889	3384
Haldia	3.84	3.51	3.36	4 01	3 02	2.87	6438	7531	8388
All Ports	11.53	6.90	4.86	4.24	3.69	3.45	7158	8455	9079

*Operational from 22.6.2001

Upgradation of Highways and National Highways in Karnataka

2338. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY:
SHRI M.A.M. RAMASWAMY:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain State Highways are converted into National Highways and certain National Highways upgraded into four lane Highways;

(b) if so, the details of such conversions/upgradations undertaken during the last three years and amount spent thereon, year-wise and State-wise;